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RE: In re Easysaver Rewards Litigation, No. 13-55373 (9th Cir.)
Response to Objector-Appellant Brian Perryman's FRAP 28(j) Letter

Dear Ms. Dwyer:

Defendant-Appellee Provide Commerce, Inc. ("Provide Commerce") writes in response to Objector-Appellant Brian Perryman ("Objector")'s September 24, 2014 FRAP 28(j) letter. Objector cites to and attaches the opinion in *Redman v. RadioShack Corp.*, No. 14-1470 *et al.* (7th Cir. Sept. 19, 2014), in which the court reversed and remanded a judgment where the sole class settlement consideration was a \$10 voucher. Slip Op. at 5-6.

Redman is inapposite. The settlement here is not a pure "coupon" settlement, and is therefore not subject to the same heightened scrutiny under the Class Action Fairness Act ("CAFA"). (See Provide Commerce's Answering Brief ("AB") at 24-32.) The primary benefit provided by the settlement here is a \$12.5 million cash fund from which class members could make a claim for a cash payment up to the full amount of out-of-pocket losses. Secondarily, the settlement provided a \$20 Credit to all class members. (AB at 12-13.)

Further, the \$20 Credit here is fundamentally different from the \$10 voucher in *Redman*. The vouchers in *Redman* compensated class members for statutory damages claims between \$100 to \$1,000. Slip Op. at 4, 28. The \$20 Credit here served as restitution for a \$15 gift code that plaintiffs alleged they never received. (AB at 13.)

Even if this case could be classified as a "coupon" settlement, which it should not, the fee award, unlike the award in *Redman*, is not disproportionate to the class relief. If the district court had reduced the value of the \$20 Credit by 15%, the fee award would still equal only 25% of the settlement's value. (AB at 34-35.) Moreover, because the settlement included a significant pecuniary benefit in the form of the \$12.5 million cash fund, CAFA permits the fee award to be calculated using lodestar. (AB at 36-37.)

Finally, *Redman* is also distinguishable because in that case class counsel did not file its attorneys' fees motion until after the deadline to object had expired. Slip Op. at 26. Here, plaintiffs filed their attorneys' fee motion weeks before the deadline.

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In short, *Redman* does not support disturbing the settlement, fee award, or judgment here.

Respectfully Submitted,

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